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## MEMORIAL ADDRESS

By Rev. J. Johnson at the Funeral of J. W. Beard.

We come together today under circumstances of great grief and anxiety. God has visited the home of a friend and neighbor and taken after a brief illness, the husband and father, and cast the wife upon a bed of lingering sickness, laying upon one home a sore bereavement and anxiety and distress to a wide circle of kindred and friends.

Upon him whom we now honor God had some years ago put a terrible handicap in the impairment of one of his natural faculties, shutting him out in great measure from intercourse with friends and loved ones. He tried in every way to recover his hearing, consulting physician after physician, and one specialist after another to no effect. It was with the hope of finding some relief that he made the visit to Virginia that probably resulted in his death. In honesty the physician told him nothing could be done—his case was hopeless. No one will ever know what this failure meant to him, how great the disappointment, how hard the lesson of submission, but we may be sure he did not brood over his case. Notwithstanding the handicap of deafness, Mr. Beard energetically and cheerfully conducted his farm with great success. He loved the farm, he loved his calling, and showed skill and enterprise in all its operations. He was a man of fine judgment, of excellent business acumen and he went bravely and cheerfully about life's duties, discharging his obligations as husband, father, neighbor and friend with commendable zeal and thoughtfulness. It was frequently remarked that he would have been one of our foremost business men but for his affliction. His affliction merely narrowed the sphere of his service, it did not lessen its quality.

It is not necessary that I should remind those gathered to do him honor of what he was as a kinsman, neighbor, friend, and in that tenderer dearest relation still of husband and father. You know as well as I or better, how well he after such a brief attack fell as a crushing shock. He was in the prime of manhood and the circumstances surrounding the bereavement, his wife being also prostrated and unable to know of his passing away and denied the privilege of following his body to the grave, causes us to wonder at the providences of God. There is one passage of Scripture that has been emphasized in my mind by this sorrow. In Isaiah 55:5 God says, "For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are my ways your ways."

He means to tell us that we do not see events in the world as he sees them; we do not think of them as he thinks of them. When we stand face to face with a sorrow like this we wonder at it. We ask, "Why is it? Why did God take the husband from the wife, father from the child under circumstances of such trial?" If we answered that question by the light of our dim knowledge we should give no doubt a very unsatisfactory answer. Our vision is too short, too circumscribed. To read properly the apparent riddle of God's providence we must needs think his thoughts to understand his ways. It is only as we climb to high elevations that we can obtain the far views. If we ascend some of the mountain tops surrounding us we shall find that our vision enlarges as we go up. So it is with us in trying to understand God's ways. We must rise to his height, we must go into the holy place where his dwelling is, we must ascend to his very throne and by faith sweep the ages with clarified vision.

But God would teach us another thing in these words. He would teach us trust and submission in the things we cannot understand. This, of course, is often very hard to do, but that is the lesson God is trying to impress. He has taken so many means of teaching us this lesson. His promises contain the assurance of it. He says that "all things work together for good to them that love God." If we could only accept this with perfect faith nothing would ever seem strange or puzzling about God's dealing with us. We should know that what we call afflictions would be but angels in disguise. God has also taught us this lesson of submission in the grace with which he enabled his servants to meet trial. Thus when his servant, and not a very faithful servant either, was bereft of his sons at one stroke, he was by divine grace enabled to say with meek submission, "It is the Lord, let him do what seemeth him good." And another one of his saints was able to say, "The

Lord gave the Lord hath taken away be the name of the Lord today I believe he is teaching us a lesson of submission to him. He is asking us to follow implicitly, knowing that our tangle of his providence will come the perfect patternly wrought work."

God meant us that we cannot expect or understand many events that direct the current lives. But he does want us to know that all is under the eye of his almighty hand, and subjects the ore into the furnace and subjects it to intense heat the dross is consumed and the gold comes forth. So God us into the crucible of trial we may come forth refined gleaming with the burnishing's providence. So the lesson this hour for those who grieve that of resignation to the will of God, knowing that is best and best, I pray that all comfort of the Saviour who weeps his friends in a similar bereavement may be yours. I pray the "God of peace" may give you his own peace "which passeth understanding" and that of one present may learn the lesson of preparedness for such an hour as this.

Editor Times: I believe there are many of the Mutual telephone people interested in a day and night service through the Marlinton switchboard and as the controlling part of it is vested in a name of the Knapps Creek at Dilleys Mill Mut. Tel. Co., and said company had a special meeting to consider a proposition of joint service with the Abogast lines, similar to the Roncovert exchange. A local news item stated that the proposition had been turned down. Why this was done perhaps the enquiry may elicit an explanation from that corporation.

So far I have failed in discovering or hearing of any of the other Mutual people being consulted. As to what would be the best for making a mutual company really mutual for the patrons, yet the Clover and the Stony Creek Mutuals. In this instance it seems that the money consideration from the three mentioned companies is about all the Knapps Creek all Dilleys Mill people care for us.

A night service is essential and beneficial in many ways and one of especial importance is medical service. None of us want to get sick any time much less of nights when the phone service is asleep, and a long ride for a doctor is not a congenial affair, especially when one has a Mutual phone sound asleep because the other fellows higher up may have call bells or be on the main lines with doctors and don't have to bother about such trivial items.

Sometimes we have found it necessary to have our linesmen to go in and patch up the switchboard so we could get service at the expense of the individual company and the switchboard owners never growled about it, and may be darkening of night service is a mild way of reciprocity.

The Arbogast lines might have been sinners once—perhaps modeled on the same lines as the mutual switchboard, but as they have repented and phoned the dove of peace to the third story of the Bank of Marlinton building it is time to vasiline old sores and give all patrons a chance to talk day or night.

S. Mc D.  
Edray, W. Va.  
Oct. 6, 1914.

## HUNTERSVILLE

W. H. Grose has a fine crop of buckwheat.

Sherman Garry, George Gingar Howard Barlow, and Zane Moore made a business trip to Hillsboro Saturday.

Mr. Kramer started the new road around the Buzzard Hill Monday.

We haven't any teacher for the Huntersville school yet. Miss Mayme Gingar is teaching at Dunmore and Miss Jessie McComb at Wanless.

Miss Lynette McKeever is teaching music at Cass.

J. C. Loury will take charge of the postoffice in a short time, and Mr. McKeever will move to Marlinton.

Miss Mildred Doughty, of Roncovert, was the guest of Miss Mayme Gingar last week. James Loury is in town.

It is said that the first sawmill in the United States was at James-town, from which saw boards were exported in June 1707. A water power sawmill was in use in 1625 near the present site of Richmond.

## SELAH

By ANNA L. PRICE

"Up my soul," is one of the various meanings given to the mysterious word, "Selah," occurring so often in the Psalms.

Selah, selah—up my soul, Rise on wings of love, And bear a hymn of praise to God Who lives and reigns above.

Up, my soul, when morning breaks With pure celestial light; When noon-tide quickens nature's pulse, And in the quiet night.

Up, my soul, to run thy course, As God shall give thee strength, And when thy work is fully done, To rest in Christ at length.

Selah, selah, up my soul, On wings of faith out spread; Remember man is but a man, As the heathen Roman said.

A God of wisdom, truth and love, In this same God we trust, Who fully knows our mortal frame And knows that we are dust.

Selah, selah, up my soul, In evil days of woe; When serried hosts of armies clash And earth rocks to and fro.

Selah, selah, up my soul, Till all our wanderings cease, And we shall have learned the meaning, And blessedness of peace.

## THE HIGH SCHOOL

The work in science in the local high school is greatly hampered by lack of equipment. Agriculture is being taught in the high school for the first time this year, and apparatus for laboratory work in this work is essential. We learn to do by doing and work in science courses is hardly worth while unless the student can actually apply some of the principles learned in the text books. The Board of Education realizes the need of the scientific apparatus, but is unable to meet the situation on account of lack of funds. An additional teacher has been provided to assist in the work. The Board of Education can go no farther. In addition, the State Superintendent of High Schools is insisting that some laboratory apparatus be provided this year before our high school is again put into the second class.

There is some solution for this difficulty and the good citizens of Marlinton have enough interest in their high school to find that solution.

Harry T. Gwinn writes us from his home at 3106 W. 15th Street, Cleveland, where he has employment as a trainman. He says: "I am still getting along O. K. and like it fine here. There is a great fight on now between the wets and the dries, to be settled at the election this fall. The example set by West Virginia, and the results since it went dry is going to have a great deal to do with the election here in favor of the dries. I am out of it as far as voting is concerned as I haven't been here long enough."

Editor Pocahontas Times: I saw in the Times that the little town of Academy had assumed its original name. That sounds good to me, and it brings to memory my boyhood days that I spent in Pocahontas county, and today I am glad that my home is near the little village of Hillsboro, the garden spot of West Virginia. The fine school building erected in Hillsboro speaks well for that community. It is an ideal location for a high school.

A. J. Cook.  
Armstrong, Va.

ESTRAY NOTICE—There have been six stray sheep at my place, Swago, for the past three months, 3 ewes and lambs. Owner may have property by proving property and paying cost of keep and advertising.  
W. McCLINTIC,  
Marlinton, W. Va.  
adv #1

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C. J. Richardson  
Marlinton W. Va.

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## THE ALLEGHENY CLUB

Minnehaha Springs, W. Va.—Everything has been very lively at the Club this week. The weather has been perfect and hunting and fishing exceptionally good. Several automobile trips have been made to the Hot and White Sulphur Springs and other points of interest in the surrounding country. It is a pleasant drive from the Club to these famous resorts.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Mathews of Charleston, were called home Thursday by the very serious illness of their daughter Llewellyn who was to be operated on Thursday night for appendicitis, and was last reported to be critically ill. Mr. Mathews is a member of the law firm of McClintic, Mollohan and Mathews of Charleston, and is well known throughout the State. Mr. Mathews and wife were among a party of ten who arrived at the Club a week ago in their car. Mrs. Mathews drove her own car, and although they covered over two hundred miles, she seemed little fatigued.

John Dana and wife were also among the Charleston party. Mr. Dana is a member of the firm of Abney-Barnes, a large wholesale firm of Charleston. Mr. Dana's father is a very wealthy, retired coal operator, and has a summer home near Lewisburg where the crowd stopped over night on their way here. Others among the party were Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Smith. Mrs. Smith is a sister of Mr. Dana, and Mr. Smith is manager of the Diamond Coal & Ice Company of Charleston. Mr. and Mrs. George Couch were also in the party. Mr. Couch is a lawyer of the law firm of Brown, Jackson & Knight. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stockley, of Fairmont, originally of Charleston, joined the Charleston crowd here. Mr. Stockley is manager of the machine shops of the Fairmont Coal Company. Mr. Stockley joined the Club and expects to return for the hunting season.

Mr. and Mrs. George T. Watson of Fairmont, arrived in their car this week. They were accompanied by Brooks Fleming and wife. Mr. Watson is a wealthy coal operator and is vice president of the Fairmont Coal Company. He is the nephew of ex-Senator Watson. Mr. Fleming is also a coal operator and is the son of ex-Governor Fleming and a nephew of ex-Senator Watson. Mr. Watson is a member of the Club and Mr. Fleming joined while here. Mr. Watson was called to Kentucky Saturday on business, but will return for the hunting season. While they were here, they visited the Hot Springs and White Sulphur.

Extensive preparations are being made at Buckeye by the Bartholomew Sawmill Company to manufacture the McClintic timber, owned by the American Column Company.

A series of meetings are in progress at the Presbyterian church by Rev. Dr. Laird, of Danville, Virginia.

## 38 YEARS AGO

From the Greenbrier Independent of September 20, 1876.

The result of the Democratic primary in Pocahontas county on the 9th: For House of Delegates; Geo. W. Siple; for Sheriff, Wm. H. Cackley; for Prosecuting Attorney, R. S. Turk; for Presiding Justice, Isaac McNeel; for County Surveyor, Brown Yeager; for Assessor, W. F. Arbogast.

tersville there are 326 stacks of hay in sight of the public road; from Huntersville to Hillsboro 310 stacks; from Hillsboro to the line of Greenbrier 106 stacks—making 742 stacks from Greenbank to the county line, on Droop Mountain. From the county line to Frankford there are 173 stacks; from Frankford to Lewisburg 308 stacks—making 481 from the county line to Lewisburg, and a total of 1,223 seen from the road between Greenbank and Lewisburg. If, as it is believed, these stacks will average two and a half tons, the amount of hay in sight will be 2,858 tons, to say nothing of the quantity in barns.

Six thousand white pine logs were floated down the Greenbrier from Pocahontas and on Tuesday landed in the boom at Roncovert. A rude log cabin fixed on logs forming a raft was used by the drivers for quarters while following the logs down the river. The sight was a novel one and many along the way went to the river to see the logs and the raft go by. The value of the logs was estimated at \$30,000.

Married, at the residence of M. J. McNeel, in the Levels of Pocahontas county, on the 12th by Rev. D. S. Sycenstreckler, P. Cleek and Miss Effie M. Amms.

## PROGRAM

The first teachers' Reading Circle for the current year will be held at Marlinton, October 10.

The following is the program: 1. Reading in the primary grades—Misses Anna Wallace and Mary Hannah.

2. Selecting literature for use in the grades—Miss Katherine Irvine.

3. Methods of teaching literature in primary grades—Mrs. Lillie Young.

4. Spelling—W. A. Hively.

5. Query Box—conducted by E. C. Smith.

6. Would you have no grammar in the public schools—J. W. G. Smith.

7. Composition in the grades—G. D. McNeil.

8. Round Table discussion.

Let all teachers come and exchange ideas. Each teacher may help every other one.

The Supreme Court of Pennsylvania has decided that the amount of damage collectible on growing timber set on fire through negligence is not only the value of the wood destroyed, but also the injury to the property as a whole through the destruction of the young growth.